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Chairman Pat Miller Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee

RE: BellSouth's Tariff to Introduce Transit Traffic Service, TRA No. 2004-1259

TRA Docket 04-00380

Dear Chairman Miller:

This is to inform the Authority that BellSouth is voluntarily extending the effective date of this tariff for an additional 30 days. The new effective date will be December 9, 2004.

BellSouth received a data request regarding this tariff from the TRA Staff on October 29, 2004, and several parties have filed Petitions to Intervene in this matter. We further note that this matter is on the agenda for the TRA's Conference on November 8, 2004. BellSouth filed a response to the Staff's data request on November 3, 2004 and is in the process of responding to the Petitions to Intervene. In addition, we are working with these parties in an effort to resolve their concerns about this tariff. We believe that the 30-day extension in the effective date will provide additional time for the Staff to review our responses to their data request and for BellSouth to work with those parties who have requested intervention.

In light of this voluntary extension, BellSouth respectfully requests that the Authority take no action on this tariff during the Conference on November 8, 2004. As a courtesy, BellSouth will provide a copy of this letter to all parties who have filed for intervention in this matter.

Please contact me or Paul Stinson at 214-3839 if there are any questions.

Yours truly,

Paul Stinson/for